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**Pipeline and Hazardous
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP 11947
(SIXTH REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: February 28, 2010

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: Patts Fabrication, Inc.
Odessa, Texas
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS:
 - a. This special permit authorizes the manufacture, marking, sale and use of multiple non-DOT specification containers, manifolded together within a frame and securely mounted on a truck chassis, for the transportation in commerce of the materials authorized by this special permit. This special permit provides no relief from any Hazardous Materials Regulation (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein.
 - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
 - c. No party status will be granted to this special permit.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR §§ 173.202, 173.203, 173.241 and 173.242 in that the packaging specified in paragraph 7 of this special permit is not authorized, except as specified herein.
5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of Patts Fabrication and Services dated February 15, 2006, submitted in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Proper Shipping Name/ Hazardous Material Description	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
Corrosive liquids, n.o.s.*	8	Various	As appro- priate
Flammable liquids, n.o.s. **	3	1993	II and III
Flammable liquid, corrosive, n.o.s.	3	UN2924	II, III

*Class 8 liquids which are corrosive to skin only and which are compatible with the tank and its appurtenances.

** Flammable liquids having a vapor pressure greater than 16 psia at 130°F are not authorized.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - Packaging prescribed is a group of sixty (60) gallon capacity, non-DOT specification containers manifolded together within a frame, having top and bottom openings designed and constructed in accordance with Patts Fabrication and Services drawings and technical specifications on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals. Each container must be equipped with a 2" Clay and Bailey Mfg. Co. Model #937 Pressure Actuated Vent, or equivalent. In addition, each container must be in compliance with the following:

Containers conform with the requirements of a DOT Specification UN31A intermediate bulk container (IBC) in all respects except for specification marking, water capacity and that the use of sight glasses is authorized. Each sight glass must have shut off valves, top and bottom and be provided with adequate protection to prevent accidental breakage. After the drop test is performed as described in § 178.810(c), a manifolded unit must also be subjected to a drop flat on a side, flat on the top, and on a corner, whichever is considered to be the most vulnerable part. The same or different container may be used for each drop.

b. TESTING -

(1) Each container must be visually inspected prior to each trip to insure that it has not been damaged on the previous trip.

(2) Each container must be reinspected and retested once every two and one-half years in accordance with § 180.352(b) as prescribed for UN31A intermediate bulk containers except that hydrostatic testing at a minimum pressure of 10 psig must be conducted instead of leakproofness testing.

c. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS -

(1) Sight glass valves must be closed during transportation.

(2) Each container must be filled so as not to be liquid full at less than or equal to 130°F.

(3) Containers are only authorized when manifolded together within a frame. The number of containers within a group may not exceed six and may not exceed sixty (60) gallons capacity.

(4) Each filling overflow line must be fitted with a shut-off valve on the top of the tank which must be secured during transportation.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. In accordance with the provisions of Paragraph (b) of § 173.22a, persons may use the packaging authorized by this special permit for the transportation of the hazardous materials specified in paragraph 6, only in conformance with the terms of this special permit.

b. A person who is not a holder of this special permit, but receives a package covered by this special permit, may reoffer it for transportation provided no modifications or changes are made to the package and it is offered for transportation in conformance with this special permit and the HMR.

c. A current copy of this special permit must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.

- d. Each packaging manufactured under the authority of this special permit must be either (1) marked with the name of the manufacturer and location (city and state) of the facility at which it is manufactured or (2) marked with a registration symbol designated by the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals for a specific manufacturing facility.
- e. A current copy of this special permit must be maintained at each facility where the package is manufactured under this special permit. It must be made available to a DOT representative upon request.
- f. MARKING-
- (1) Each manifolded unit must be plainly marked on both sides near the middle, in letters at least 2 inches high on a contrasting background, "DOT-SP 11947". Packagings permanently marked "DOT-E 11947", prior to October 1, 2007, may continue to be used under this special permit for the remaining service life of the packaging or until the special permit is no longer valid.
 - (2) In addition, marking and placarding requirements specified for cargo tanks in 49 CFR Part 172, Subparts D and F must be met.
- g. The prototype test on this tank design will serve to qualify smaller tanks made of the same material and thickness, by the same fabrication technique, and with identical supports and equivalent closures and other appurtenances. A drawing showing the arrangement of the smaller tanks must be on file with OHMEA prior to the first shipment.
- h. Shipping papers displaying "DOT-E 11947" may continue to be used until October 1, 2007, provided the special permit remains valid.
9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this special permit must be carried aboard each motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this special permit.
11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this special permit and penalties prescribed by the Federal

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hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:

- o All terms and conditions prescribed in this special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
- o Persons operating under the terms of this special permit must comply with the security plan requirement in Subpart I of Part 172 of the HMR, when applicable.
- o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this special permit must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this special permit in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this special permit, including display of its number, when this special permit has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

Under Title VII of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)—"The Hazardous Materials Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005" (Pub. L. 109-59), 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005), amended the Federal hazardous materials transportation law by changing the term "exemption" to "special permit" and authorizes a special permit to be granted up to two years for new special permits and up to four years for renewals.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Shipments or operations conducted under this special permit are subject to the Hazardous Materials Incident Reporting requirements specified in 49 CFR §§ 171.15 - Immediate notice of certain hazardous materials incidents, and 171.16 - Detailed hazardous materials incident reports. In addition, the grantee(s) of this special permit must notify the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety -- OHMSPA, in writing, of any

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incident involving a package, shipment or operation
conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



for Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous
Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety
Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C.
20590. Attention: PHH-31.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the
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